Karnataka have allotted the land on lease measuring 200 feet x 200 feet on rent basis for the propose.

New airports in private sector

1632. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have cleared any proposal for setting up of any new airport projects in private sector in the country;

(b) if so, the location-wise details thereof;

(c) the details of proposals received by Government from private sector so far; and

(d) by when these projects are likely to be cleared and completed?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Airports with private sector participation are being established at Shamshabad near Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh) and Devanahalli near Bangalore (Karnataka). The two airport projects, promoted by the respective State Governments on a joint venture basis with Private Sector Participation, have reached the stage wherein Preferred Bidder in the case of Shamshabad, and the Private Promoter in the case of Devanahalli, have already been selected. The construction of a new airport in MOPA in Goa is also proposed to be undertaken by the State Government with private sector participation.

(c) No proposals have been received from private sector for development of airports so far.

(d) Does not arise.

Signing of bilaterals by AI

1633. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air India has signed a record number of bilaterals with the airlines operating in the Gulf Countries in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and